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Applicant : Michalopoulos et al.

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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed September 26, 2001 and pursuant to Rule 121 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit herewith (i) a Petition to Extend Time to respond for a period of three months up to and including March 26, 2002 accompanied by the required fee; (ii) Exhibit A; and (iii) a Declaration of Dr. George K. Michalopoulos and William C. Bowen with attached Exhibit.